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March 31, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Children's Home Rehabilitation Project in Fiscal Year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Family Service of Rhode Island, located at 9 Pleasant Street, Providence, RI 02906.

The funding would be used to renovate a residential treatment home for girls and young women that are in the care of the Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF). The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would benefit children in the care of the State who have experienced traumatization from sexual abuse and other crimes, mental health challenges, and substance misuse. The facility aims to provide a safe and supportive environment for children exiting psychiatric hospitalizations, after removal from a primary caregiver, or after experiencing abuse and exploitation. The renovations would provide a positive living environment for youth in the care of DCYF while they build brighter futures after experiencing abuse, neglect, victimization, and exploitation.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David N. Cicilline".

David N. Cicilline
Member of Congress